



Eastern Kentucky University

## Soar to New Heights: A STEM-ulating Escapade!

Dear Parent or Guardian,

It is almost time for summer vacation and that means it's also time for your Tween to learn something new and exciting as they **Soar to New Heights!** The Eastern Kentucky University Gifted and Talented Education Graduate Students and members of the EKU STEM-H Faculty and Staff invite your Tween to our seventh annual summer camp for Gifted and Talented students who will be entering grades 6-8 in the fall of 2014. This year's camp features an expanded STEM-H (**S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **M**ath and **H**ealth) focus that will appropriately challenge and motivate your gifted and talented Tween.

Each course is designed to nurture critical and creative thinking while inspiring new learning. We are fortunate to have Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) faculty and professional staff serve as instructors and mentors this year as well as the opportunity to utilize a variety of learning environments. ECU's New Science Building, a truly remarkable space that creates an atmosphere of curiosity and creativity, will serve as our base for operations and be the site for check-in and dismissal each day.

Camp dates are June 16– 20, 2014 from 8:00-4:00. Please note that the completed registration and payment must be post-marked no later than May 9, 2014. Participants will have the opportunity to take two different courses during the 1-week camp, but a class size of 15 participants has been established for each in order to maximize your child's learning experience in a safe environment. Therefore, we request that each student select his/her top three course choices from the Morning Session Offerings and from the Afternoon Session Offerings to better ensure a good match between student interest and class availability. Students will be placed in courses in the order registrations are received.

This year's registration fee of \$145.00 will include 2 snacks each day, lunch in the Powell Cafeteria, and a camp T-shirt. A limited number of scholarships are available upon request. Additional information will be supplied when registration is complete. We look forward to working with your Tween this summer!

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As you view the brochure you will learn about the various courses:

#### Morning Course Offerings

Plague, Disease & Death  
Did Your Hear That?  
Being the Best You Can Be  
Energy is Electrifying!  
CSI: Crime Scene Investigators!  
Engineers save the Day!

#### Afternoon Course Offerings

Termite Races  
Deciphering Your Blood  
Fun with Physics!  
Race around the World  
If Mother Nature Could Take a Selfie:  
Exploring Nature with Technology